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**SUBJECT: Evaluation Group Needs from CIRIS**

1. The general needs of the Evaluation Group for CIRIS data is to support the development and issuance of community planning guidance, the identity of issues and data support to issue studies, and the maintenance of a facilities inventory.

2. It is the view of the Evaluation Group that CIRIS should serve the purpose of an analytical tool rather than as a management tool. To this end, included data should be arrayed to support varying degrees of analysis rather than to portray total or analyzed situations which could be used as bases for management decisions. Absolute clarity on these points to the Program Managers and data inputters would go far toward alleviating concern and misgivings regarding CIRIS data and its intended uses.

3. Support to planning guidance necessitates the facilities inventory, the identified targets and some sort of capabilities inventory. The relative value or effectiveness of the facilities and their inherent capabilities may not be appropriate for inclusion in CIRIS, but should be an analytical result of one application of CIRIS data.

4. The facilities inventory could perhaps be better acquired and maintained in a "fact book" form rather than in a computer-loaded data base. The determinants would be the amount of detail required and the periodicity in which it needs to be changed or updated. An examination of this problem by Reporting Entity suggests the following division:

Basic (essentially unchanging)

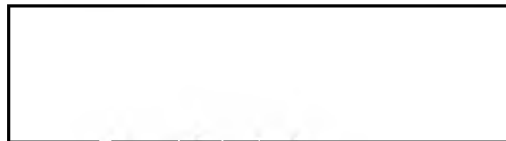
1. Activity name
2. Location
3. Command relations
4. Authority creating
5. Mission
6. Support received or provided

<u>Subject to change</u>	<u>How often?</u>
1. Targets	never to frequent
2. Capabilities	yearly or less frequent
3. Major equipment	yearly or less frequent
4. TOA	yearly or more frequent
5. Manpower auth.	yearly or more frequent

Therefore, TOA, manpower authorizations and targets need updating at varying intervals--annually, whenever significantly altered, or as-occurring.

All other data is relatively static and less subject to change, and could be the subject of "fact book" data.

5. A recent DIA development known as ERCMS--ELINT Requirements Capabilities Management System--may have some features of interest to a revised CIRIS. It is suggested that the CIRIS Study Group might request a briefing on ERCMS by DIA.



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